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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER  
IPC 7 H05B3/34 H05B3/06

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## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)  
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## C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
Y	DE 101 26 066 A (BEURER GMBH & CO) 19 December 2002 (2002-12-19) cited in the application column 3, line 11 - line 13 column 3, line 25 - line 26 column 3, line 15 - line 17 column 3, line 24 column 3, line 32 column 3, line 33	1-10
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